

## NEGRO ROBS AND BEATS A WOMAN IN THE WEST END

Mrs. Bernard J. McSorley, Wife of Member of Merchants' Exchange, Is Attacked by Highwayman at Academy and Raymond Avenues

### FOOTPAD'S HUGE FIST KNOCKS HER SENSELESS

Strikes Her Repeatedly in the Face After She Offers to Give Up Valuables—Secures Purse Containing Thirty Dollars.

The daring and brutality of many recent highway robberies which have overawed the timorous and frightened women into a state of nervous distraction reached a climax Tuesday evening when, within a stone's throw of those who could hear her cries of distress, Mrs. Bernard J. McSorley, wife of one of the prominent members of the Merchants' Exchange, was attacked by a powerful negro, beaten into insensibility and then robbed of her purse, containing \$30.

Mrs. McSorley left her home, 5160 Fairmount avenue, in company with her sister, Mrs. John M. Wood, intending to take dinner with the latter.

It was a few minutes after 6 o'clock when the two women reached Raymond and Academy avenues. They were just about to turn the corner when the negro sprang from behind a tree box and commanded them to throw up their hands.

The women were startled, and, making a loud outcry, started into a run. As they did so the negro caught Mrs. McSorley by the arm and threatened to kill her if she offered resistance.

Mrs. Wood returned at this moment, but the negro warned her away. "Don't! Please don't hurt me; I will give you everything," were Mrs. McSorley's pleading words, but her assailant refused to heed.

Clenching his fist until it became as rock he swung his arm, and the blow fell with terrific force on Mrs. McSorley's forehead. She staggered and fell backwards to the wall of a building. Again the negro struck, this time the blow being aimed at her right eye.

### CRISPS FOR AID UNHEARD.

Mrs. Wood ran north on Academy avenue, screaming for help. Several cars passed on the Page avenue line, but the noise of the clanging bell drowned her cry for aid.

Finally, as the negro rendered her unconscious, Mrs. McSorley sank to the ground. The robber tore her purse from her dress. He was trying to loosen her diamond earrings when Mrs. McSorley roused herself, and, after a desperate effort, managed to regain her feet.

Then the negro fled. Mrs. Wood rejoined her sister, and five minutes later a policeman appeared. No trace of the negro rewarded the policeman's search and the women returned home.

Mrs. Wood describes her sister's assailant as being about 5 feet 7 inches tall, weight probably 150 pounds, light skin and not over 30 years of age. He wore a black slouch hat and dark clothes. "I don't think I'll ever forget the man," said Mrs. Wood. "If ever there was a brute he was one. The very sound of his voice was enough to terrify us."

### VICTIM SEVERELY INJURED

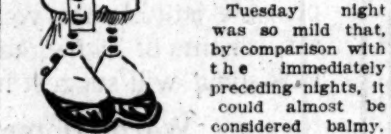
When Mrs. McSorley and her sister reached Mrs. Wood's house she was completely prostrated and cuts and bruises on

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## FAIR WEATHER FOR SHOPPERS

No Extremes of Temperature or Disagreeable Conditions Within Range of Weather Man's View

The weather man gives good news for Christmas shoppers. He sees no sign of bad weather for St. Louis for at least three days, as conditions throughout the great weather-manufacturing section of the inclemency there is being shipped direct to Chicago and other unfortunately located towns. The official forecast is: "Fair Wednesday night and Thursday. No decided change in temperature. Tuesday night was so mild that, by comparison with the immediately preceding nights, it could almost be considered balmy. The lowest temperature was 24 degrees, and at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning for the first time since Saturday, the mercury was above the freezing point. It is expected that the thermometer may shrink back to the neighborhood of 30 degrees Wednesday night, but no lower. There isn't enough weather anywhere in the country to talk about. Duluth is the coldest reported point, with 2 degrees below zero. There is some snow in the lake regions."



LOCAL TEMPERATURE READINGS.

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## GRANDJUROR TO BE ARRESTED

Salsbury Has Confessed He Bought Complete Daily Report of Proceedings From Him

Special to the Post-Dispatch. GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Dec. 16.—It is learned that one of the next warrants to be issued by the prosecution in the water scandal case will be for one of the members of the grand jury that convened in this city in May, 1900, and investigated the Lake Michigan water deal. It is stated that in Salsbury's confession to the prosecuting officials he divulged the name of a juror to whom he says he paid \$500 in consideration of a complete daily report of the proceedings of the grand jury. The charge may be contempt of court or perjury.

## ANOTHER DOLGEVILLE PLANNED

"Ideal Economic Community" Will Get a New Chance

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—When Alfred Dolge of Dolgeville, Herkimer County, N. Y., failed in 1896, the crash was called "an economic tragedy," because it shattered hopes of establishing an ideal industrial center fostered by Dolge. The promoter is now here buying machinery, and declares he has secured powerful financial backing for the establishment of a new Dolgeville, to be located in southern California, two miles from Pasadena. Two companies have been formed, he says, capitalized at \$1,000,000. Land has been purchased, two acres of which will be set aside for a felt factory and 200 for the building of a model town. The factory will open with 300 operatives in a month or so. Many of the old hands from Dolgeville, N. Y., have already gone there.

## SEA OF AZOV IS FAST SINKING INTO EARTH

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 16.—The sea of Azov is disappearing in the earth and remarkable scenes are in course of enactment. At Taganrog the waters have receded to such an extent during the last five days that the bed of the sea is visible for a distance of thousands of feet. High winds hurried clouds of sand shoreward, covering the town. Vessels are lying high and dry and the greatest confusion prevails in the harbor. Work in the factories has had to be reduced to a minimum, owing to the lack of water.

## OUR UNCLE SAM TO LOOSE PURSE STRINGS FOR FAIR

Directors Can Get \$4,500,000 Loan From Congress If They Want It, Says Congressman Tawney, and It Will Be Good Investment.

### PRESENT NEED HAS ARISEN FROM HEAVY WAGE INCREASES

Money Advanced Would Be Placed in Circulation Without Detriment to Interests of Local Banks—Opposition in House Not Likely.

Special to the Post-Dispatch. WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Representative Tawney, in discussing the proposed \$4,500,000 loan to the World's Fair, said this morning that there were good business reasons why the loan should be made.

He pointed out that if the money was advanced from the United States treasury it would put this amount of money into circulation, instead of taking the same amount of money from the banks. This addition to the volume of funds would be a great relief in a financial way, and one from which the government would not suffer in the slightest.

He is explaining to his associates in the committee that there has been no miscalculation on the part of the managers, but that the sudden and marked advance in the wage scale caused buildings to cost more than was expected.

He said that, of all the money expended, a large proportion had gone to the wage account, and this had been unexpectedly swelled.

The proposition will not appear until after Christmas, but when it does appear, if at all, Mr. Tawney thinks the way will be made easy for it with the members who were at first disposed to oppose any further assistance.

### MUST PAY OR DEFEND SUIT

Letters of Notification Are Sent Out to World's Fair Delinquents—By Judge Ferriss.

Delinquent subscribers to World's Fair stock will have to pay their balances at once or undergo the unpleasantness of being sued.

Judge Franklin Ferriss, who resigned his seat in the Circuit Court several weeks ago to become general counsel for the World's Fair, has taken up the collection of stock accounts, at the request of the ways and means committee, and the first letters sent out by him, demanding payment, were received by subscribers to small blocks of stock Wednesday.

Judge Ferriss states to the delinquents that the ways and means committee of the Exposition management demands immediate settlement on the outstanding accounts. He instructs delinquents to pay Treasurer William H. Thompson, at the Bank of Columbia. For this reason he felt himself disqualified to preside at this trial.

Court was in session only a few minutes. There was not a large crowd present, because it was understood the case would not be tried.

The defendant was not in court. Butler was indicted in October, 1902, for paying the sum of \$47,500 to members of the House of Delegates to obtain to have the city lighting bill passed. He was tried at Columbia on the charge of attempted bribery, growing out of the garbage contract, and sentenced to three years in the penitentiary, but last week the supreme court reversed the case and discharged the defendant.

That relieved Butler of the sentence, and Circuit Attorney Folk will now proceed to try him for the bribery offense.

## MRS. DANIEL MANNING OF ALBANY IS ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF LADY MANAGERS



MRS. DANIEL MANNING OF ALBANY, N. Y.

Albany, N. Y., Woman Is Elected at the Executive Session of the Board in the Administration Building This Afternoon.

### FAMILIARITY WITH WORK MADE HER POPULAR

Mrs. John T. Davis Will Be Elected as a Member of the Board of Lady Managers by the National Commission at Meeting Today.

Mrs. Daniel Manning was elected president of the Board of Lady Managers at 1 o'clock this afternoon.

Mrs. Manning is one of the best known women in social life in the East. She is considered a model presiding officer, and is brilliant in her social attainments. She has spent much of her time in Washington, but her present home is in Albany.

She has been the favorite of a majority of the members of the Board of Lady Managers to succeed Mrs. Blair as president ever since they began to discuss the subject.

The lady managers left the Southern Hotel at 9:30 Wednesday morning in a private car of the tourist company for the Fair grounds, where they were the guests of the management.

As soon as they reached their room in the Administration building the business session was called to order, and the promptness with which the ladies got down to work was interesting. Five minutes after their arrival at the building the session was in full swing.

The ladies were the guests of President Francis at a luncheon at 2 o'clock, and afterwards made a tour of the World's Fair grounds in automobiles.

### BY ROSE MARION.

Executive ability and determination are the marked possessions of the woman who has become the first lady of the World's Fair—Mrs. Daniel Manning.

One glance at her face is sufficient to know that she is not one of those who are led. Her blue eyes often shine with mirth, but never have the meek look of the woman who follows because she cares not to plan her course.

They look for ways unmarked by survivors' signs or signal lights. There is no easier duty.

They are leading eyes, and look not only for themselves, but for all who follow. The forehead back of which the thinking work of the leading eye is done occupies more space than that of most women.

Wavy, yellow hair hides some of it, but that which shows gives sufficient evidence of the total strength.

Her mouth smiles often in light conversation, but when talk is earnest or is silent, its lips seem to take a certain stand, much after the fashion of soldiers defending an impregnable position.

Have you ever watched mouths to learn by so doing which it would be wise to coax and which to mind without a word?

Mrs. Manning's mouth forbids coaxing by its very lips. It does not look as if it would stoop to any coaxing, rather as if it would merely smile while the coaxing was in progress and then leave all previous decisions unrevoked.

Her chin is more determined than her mouth. I would like to be a fairy god-mother and have the bestowal of such chins as Mrs. Manning's to certain men I have seen. This would be a different city then, I fancy.

### Woman Whom Women Like.

Her chin sets straight and strong and looks as if it would stay so, even if all the plans in the country went awry. Her hair is usually rolled in a line with her chin, which adds length to her face.

Mrs. Manning is tall. Standing among the other members of the Board of Lady

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## THE BUTLER CASE SET FOR TRIAL FEB. 1

Judge Hough of the Eighth Judicial District Will Preside Over the Court.

Special to the Post-Dispatch. FULTON, Mo., Dec. 16.—When the case of Edward Butler, charged with bribery, was called for trial today, Judge Waller disqualified himself, and the trial was set for Monday, Feb. 1.

Judge Hough of the Eighth Judicial district of St. Louis is to try the case. Judge Alexander Waller, who succeeded Judge Hockaday in this circuit, was one of Butler's attorneys in the trial at Columbia. For this reason he felt himself disqualified to preside at this trial.

Court was in session only a few minutes. There was not a large crowd present, because it was understood the case would not be tried.

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## SHE STOLE "BUFFALO BILL'S" SCALP LOCK

Actress Cut It Off as a Souvenir While He Was Behind the Scenes

Special to the Post-Dispatch. NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Buffalo Bill attended the performance of "The Office Boy" at the Victoria Theater last night, and, between the acts, went behind the scenes to have a chat with his old friend, Frank Daniels. He was standing just inside Mr. Daniels' dressing room when Eva Tanguay passed by and saw him.

"I'd like a lock of that hair for a souvenir," declared the little actress to one of the chorus girls.

"Stump you to cut it off," ventured the girl.

"Get a pair of scissors. You can't stump me," declared the actress.

The girl got the scissors and Miss Tanguay cautiously slipped up behind Buffalo Bill, selected a wisp that stuck out from behind a hairpin and snipped it off.

The hero of many Indian battles clapped his hand to his pate and turned just in time to see the smiling face of Miss Tanguay disappearing in the wings.

"Thundering Rain-in-the-Face," he yelled, shaking his fist good-naturedly at the retreating subreter. "If you were a man, I'd have your scalp."

"Is it much?" he asked Mr. Daniels, vainly trying to get an angle on a looking glass. "No, not very much," replied the comedian. "You've got one left."

## LEAVITT SAYS HE WAS NOT ENGAGED

Declares Miss Cook's Threat to Sue Him for Breach of Promise Is Absurd

Special to the Post-Dispatch. NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 16.—William Homer Leavitt, who married Ruth Bryan, daughter of William Jennings Bryan, and who is visiting here, said today that he was never engaged to Miss Minnie Cook of Newport, R. I., who, it is said, is preparing to sue him for breach of promise.

Mr. Leavitt says he knows nothing of the suit. His wife is greatly disturbed, but believes her husband innocent.

Mr. Leavitt denies ever having been engaged to Miss Cook. He said that he met Miss Cook only twice. He first made her acquaintance at an entertainment of a fraternal order in Newport, and some days later he met her on the street and walked some distance with her.

The story of her suing him for breach of promise, he says, is absurd. The stories about her suing him for breach of promise and his giving her an engagement ring, he says, have absolutely no foundation.

Mr. Leavitt says he will return to Newport next spring, the time he planned before going South.

Mr. and Mrs. Leavitt are at a boarding house here. They express their intention of remaining all winter. They called upon the mayor Monday and again today. Mr. Leavitt says that while here he hopes to paint some portraits.

# NEW WOMAN'S MAGAZINE

With the Sunday Post-Dispatch, Out Next Sunday, December 20th.

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Woman's Eyes and the Part They Play in Man's Destinies

How a Little Yellow Bird Made a Little Bride Happy

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How a Servant-Girl Problem Was Solved by a Clever Woman

The Very Latest Creations for Milady's Headgear

Some Striking Effects in the New Sleeves—Illustrated

Expert Gives Advice on Beauty and Health Topics



**Kentuckians Wed Here**  
Miss Lucy H. Jesse of Louisville, Ky., and Harvey A. Dudley, a nephew of Bishop Dudley of Kentucky, were married Wednesday morning by Rev. Dr. Tyrrell at his home, 529 Morgan street. The young couple will spend some time in Kentucky before returning to St. Louis.

## A Word of Comfort To the Distressed.

Fortunately for those suffering with Rheumatism in all its various forms, including Sore Joints, Sore Muscles and Sore Feet, a remedy has been discovered by modern science which in every instance effects a speedy and positive cure. This new remedy is founded on scientific principles which are acknowledged by the medical world as the only correct treatment for Rheumatism or Neuralgic Troubles. Medicines taken internally rarely ever effect a cure without upsetting the stomach. As a rule, they injure the digestive organs, sicken the nerves and in many instances the patient contracts a drug habit, which leads eventually to a decline of the physical and mental forces. Paracamp is the new remedy and it is a departure from the antiquated methods. Paracamp enters into the system through the natural channels, namely, the pores of the skin. When applied, it opens the pores and allows the healing, soothing oils to pervade the sore, inflamed membranes and muscles; removes the congestion and draws out the fever and inflammation by inducing sweating. This is the only treatment that can be indorsed by science and is guaranteed to cure even the most obstinate cases of Rheumatic swellings, if used as directed. Paracamp can be procured at drug stores in 25c, 50c and \$1 bottles. Write for book of testimonials; sent free.

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## MRS. MANNING HEAD OF BOARD

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Managers she is not the tallest of them, but she holds her place well.

Mrs. Manning is a woman whom women like. They stand about her and give her much of the attention which women are supposed to receive from men.

They listen to her words and wait for her opinions. This is not because she is at the head of the Board of Lady Managers. It was apparent to me months ago when Mrs. Manning came here as a member of one of the committees of the Board of Lady Managers.

The members of her committee quoted her ideas as parliamentary practitioners say over words in Robert's Rules of Order.

She is a woman's woman and then as if she loved to contradict old rules she is also a woman who has many friends among men.

"You are a favorite with men and women," said Gov. Odell of New York to her the other day, "how do you manage that?"

"Not by catering to men," Mrs. Manning replied, and the governor knew she spoke truly.

**Does Not Shine by Borrowed Light.**

Men who speak of her say much of the ability of her husband, the man who nonchalantly drew the Cleveland for the governorship of New York, and later for the Presidency of the United States, and thus won the vengeance on Tammany but they contend by absolute knowledge that she is not a woman who shines in the reflected light of the greatness of her late husband.

She has had much honor. Her name was placed in the congressional records when she served as the representative of the United States at the Paris World's Fair. She possesses a cross of the Legion of Honor given her by the French government.

Her influential friends are in both continents. They are her friends not because she was the wife of Daniel Manning, but because she is a woman who can and will do that which she wishes to do.

She is a New York woman, but not a New York woman. She was born in Albany and has lived there most of her life.

**Only Daughter to Third Generation.**

She is the daughter of an only daughter of an only daughter. That she sometimes gives as a reason for her popularity.

"Only daughters always have everything," she says.

She holds her voice in good command when speaking before her fellow members. They knew her executive ability before they chose her to be their leader. They watched her handling of committees and her grasp of subjects in the different meetings, and most of them were satisfied that she was the woman to lead them in their work.

When one reads much of a woman's ability in lines such as those of Mrs. Manning, there always comes the dread that some of her womanliness has been made the price of her ability.

One feels that while she may know much of international affairs, she might be inattentive when the things ordinary women like to talk of come up for discussion.

Not so with Mrs. Manning. She likes pretty gowns and beautiful jewelry, just as much as the rest of us.

She seems to have a fondness for silks and pearls. Strands of those jewels are often about her neck.

It is her present plan to come to St. Louis to live until the World's Fair is over.

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## DISMISSED BY MRS. BLAIR, SHE ASKS LADY MANAGERS FOR SALARY



### Recommendation Is Made That Three Months' Salary Be Paid Woman Who Asked for Seven.

Mrs. Benjamin J. Schuerman of St. Louis is trying to collect \$700 from the board of lady managers of the World's Fair for services rendered them as official stenographer or "assistant secretary."

A special committee, consisting of Mrs. Frederick L. Hanger, Mrs. Annie McClain Moore and Mrs. Richard W. Knott, recommended this afternoon that \$300 of her claim be paid.

Mrs. Schuerman bases her claim on the theory that she has been continuously acting secretary of the board from the time of her appointment in October, 1902, until Monday of this week, when the board met for the first time in six months.

The reason that Mrs. Schuerman has not drawn her salary of \$100 a month during this entire period is that Mrs. James L. Blair declined to approve any vouchers for salary for her since last July.

In that month differences arose between Mrs. Blair, then president of the board, and Mrs. Schuerman. Oct. 9 Mrs. Blair told Mrs. Schuerman she had no more work for her.

Mrs. Blair meant the statement as a formal notice of Mrs. Schuerman's discharge from the position of official stenographer and custodian of the records of the board.

Mrs. Schuerman denied Mrs. Blair's right to discharge her. She said she was not the entire board, she argued, and she would continue her work at the office of the board at the Administration building until the board met and directed her to do otherwise.

So, every day in the interval, Mrs. Schuerman went to the Administration building and kept careful charge of the records of the board.

Mrs. Blair made no attempt to dispossess her.

When the ladies of the board arrived at

the Southern Hotel Monday, Mrs. Schuerman brought the records of the board there and turned them over to Mrs. Hanger, the secretary, whose home is in Little Rock, Ark.

Incidentally, Mrs. Schuerman explained to the ladies that she had drawn no salary for several months and that she intended to put in a claim at once. They agreed to hear her case at once and did so Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Schuerman waited about the hotel corridors throughout the day while waiting to be called before the board.

She chafed pleasantly with several of the ladies on the board.

The first difficulty arose over the selection of an office. According to Mrs. Schuerman, Mrs. Blair wanted an office for her at the Odeon. Mrs. Schuerman wanted an office at the Administration building; it was provided.

"But from October, when I was appointed," she said, "until the following March, Mrs. Blair was only in the city a few days."

"When she wanted to dictate letters I had to go to her. Often last winter, just after arriving at the Administration building, and before I had a chance to get warm, I would get a telephone message ordering me to Kirkwood. More than once I went out there just to 'take' one letter from Mrs. Blair."

"Every Tuesday and Friday Mrs. Blair ordered me to go to the Odeon. She had musical classes there in the morning and in the afternoon. Between the two classes she would dictate letters to me."

"In May I became sick, not recovering for ten weeks. Some of the time I did my work at home."

"Mrs. Blair did not approve the voucher for my salary during these two months. When I returned to work in July she approved the voucher for that month. For August and September she refused to do so."

"October 9 she told me she had no more work for me. That was the first and last notice I received from her."

"I continued in charge of the office until Monday of this week. Under the law governing the Exposition and on my constitutional rights I am entitled to the money, and I certainly shall try to get it. I am a business woman, and that is business."

### SIDELIGHTS ON THE LADY MANAGERS' MEETINGS

Collins Thompson, private secretary to President Francis, and Alvin E. Pope of the department of social economy, are in the minds of the lady managers two Dromedaries.

Thompson and Pope were both in the parlors of the Southern Tuesday afternoon. Both are of medium build, with light brown hair. Both wear brown beards that make them look like young doctors.

The ladies who had only met them during the afternoon called Mr. Pope Mr. Thompson and Mr. Thompson Mr. Pope. The two were finally viewed standing side by side and their distinguishing points picked out.

"It's nothing new," said Pope. "I answer a great many questions for Thompson."

"That's right," replied Thompson. "There's a dinner coming to us from a banker downtown who wants to see us together to talk which is which."

**MR. FRANCIS AND NURSERIES**  
"Why did President Francis sigh and in an appealing voice ask 'How would you like to be president of an exposition?' is a problem which interested half a dozen

women who sat outside the entrance to the room where the board of lady managers was in session Tuesday.

Mr. Francis had just burst from the room, that in turn had burst from the question to two men, who were also among the waiting.

"That's right. It's a hard job. Where do you go next? What have you been saying to me?" asked one of the men.

"I believe it's executive committee next," replied President Francis. "What have I been saying? Oh, talking about nurseries and woman's building. You see, I have to be ready to discuss anything the ladies wanted to know a few things, and, of course, I told them."

A few minutes before Mr. Francis with William H. Thompson, treasurer of the Fair, had been with the national commission, and the ladies had been waiting for them to be asked to loan.

From money in seven figures today nurseries and the lighting change which made the Exposition president sigh. It was too much for Francis. Thompson, he, too, had started for the ladies' board room, but as the pair passed the elevator Mr. Thompson disappeared, leaving President Francis to face the music unaided.

**HEARD HER RIVAL PRAISED**  
Mrs. Daniel Manning, leading candidate for president of the board, and Mrs. Mary Phelps Montgomery, who has been spoken of for the same place, occupy adjoining rooms at the Southern. Several of the ladies who arrived in St. Louis Saturday.

This, however, did not prevent a third member of the board from eavesdropping. Mrs. Manning at breakfast Wednesday gave a detailed account of the reasons why Mrs. Montgomery would be elected president.

Manning, according to the story, graciously heard the entire argument and assented to it. She never intimated that she was running for the office. Not even a smile or a glance of amusement betrayed her, although other ladies at the table were stifling their laughter.

The lady who was preaching Mrs. Montgomery did not learn, until some time afterward, it is said, that Mrs. Manning was her candidate's chief rival and also close friend.

**MISS GOULD EASY TO PLEASE**  
Miss Helen M. Gould, who has a suite of eight rooms at the Southern, doesn't believe in tiring bellboys by sending them on errands. She attended all the sessions of the board at the Southern. They were held on the same floor of the hotel on which her rooms are located, but at the opposite end of the hall.

Several times during the day Miss Gould had occasion to get books and papers from her secretary. Several bellboys were waiting outside the board's meeting room ready to take her things. Mrs. Gould paid no attention when she opened the door, but she hurried by them with a smile and fairly ran along the hall, returning immediately with the papers.

The bellboys are not the only hotel attaches who consider Miss Gould the easiest guest to please that the hotel has ever encountered. Several of the ladies who were waiting outside the board's meeting room ready to take her things, said they were waiting for her to be asked to loan.

### WHAT AND WHY.

Why should substitutes for Scott's Emulsion be refused?

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a reception; others wore short skirts and smart costumes. Some wore head-hooded; others wore hats, coats and furs, although they had not been outside the building. Some were bareheaded; others were gloved.

To a stranger the gathering looked like one in which society women and business women mingled.

But it was only the morning session. It didn't take the ladies long to fall in line. Before the afternoon meeting there had been a change in the ladies and the business element had lost. The meeting was one of society women.

**FEMININE POLITICS**  
Harry B. Hawes and other aspirants for gubernatorial honors who are bashful about saying so should take lessons from the ladies' board of managers, thus learning how to run for office without being a candidate.

Masculine politics furnish no example of the "fine Italian hand" that can compare with the feminine game as seen now at the Southern Hotel.

At least five women have been running for president of the ladies' board within the past week. As one of their number says, they have personal bees in their bonnets.

Not one of them, however, has said she was a candidate. Unseen influences have started her friends on a campaign while she has smiled graciously and urged support of another.

She makes no speeches, outlines no policy or platform, pledges no reforms; in fact, pleads total ignorance of the fact that her name has been mentioned for the honor.

But all the while the wires are at work elsewhere and there are no masculine blunders to reveal their alignment.

**THE "BIG FOUR"**  
The absence of two members of the ladies' board has resulted in the election of the "Big Four," which last spring was the most powerful political combination in the board.

Its members were Miss Lavina Egan of Shreveport, La., Mrs. Helen Boile-Hunsicker of Philadelphia, Mrs. W. E. Andrews of Washington and Mrs. Finis P. Ernest of Denver.

Mrs. Boile-Hunsicker and Mrs. Ernest are among the absentees, but Miss Egan and Mrs. Andrews are trying to preserve the name and the organization.

**Gold Jewelry for Christmas Gifts.**  
Solid Gold Fobs ..... \$5.00 to \$18.00  
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**Half Century in One House**  
The funeral of Mrs. Henrietta Speilbrink will be held Thursday from the family residence, 2737 Washington avenue, where she had lived for fifty years, and where she died Tuesday of paralysis. Mrs. Speilbrink and her husband owned a grocery store at Leffingwell and Washington avenues from 1854 until 1890. Three children—John B. Speilbrink, Mrs. L. R. Marten and Mrs. Robert Hafterkamp—survive her.

**NEW ST. JAMES HOTEL.**  
C. F. W. Jones, A. J. H. Jones, Kansas City; S. E. Hogan, Norborne; J. W. Jack, Longview; C. Nelson and wife, Memphis.

**BE SUNNY**  
"Force-thoughts"

XXXIII.  
Dec. 16

THE aristocrats of ancient Rome were called Optimates, from "optimus," which means "best." From this word also came a school of philosophers known as Optimists, which is still in existence.

¶ An Optimist believed that this was the best kind of a sunny old world, and that it was well to be in tune with it.

¶ Another school of philosophers were the Pessimists, from "pessimus," which means "worst." That was the view they took of things. Somebody said a Pessimist was a man who had lived a month with an optimist—but in reality a Pessimist is usually an Optimist who eats wrong.

¶ Sometimes he's starving to death for lack of nourishment—starving on rich, fatty foods full of nutriment that he can't digest, which is the worst form of starvation conceivable and enough to make anybody pessimistic.

¶ "FORCE" is an antidote for pessimism. "Optimus" is the word that goes naturally with this food I make. It is Best. Best for mentality and muscle. Best for nerves and temperament (a vital organ that needs right food as much as any other). It is Best in digestibility and savor.

To eat "FORCE" is to be optimistic—which is Latin for Be Sunny!

Yours truly,  
Sunny Jim  
(He is continued.)

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Without an Equal  
in the West.

There are no technicalities for the prosecution.

The Hofflanders will presently be sending commissioners to Galveston to learn how to battle with the sea.

If the isthmian canal is to cost the country \$184,233,358, it is almost time to begin to bid on new government bonds.

One of the economies now to be demonstrated by the Steel Trust is the cutting of wages. The Trust is a keen kutter.

## NO HOPE FOR BOODLERS.

It is hoped that Mr. Folk's belief that the supreme court decision in the Bonner case "will not permanently release any hoodler now under charge" is correct.

Technical flaws in an indictment or information ought to be cured by complete proof of guilt in the trial court. Evidence on which an indictment is found or an information filed may be in bad form or inadequate to convict. But when it is strengthened to the satisfaction of the jury acting under the instruction of a trial judge it is generally accepted. The guilt or innocence of the accused is established by the trial, not by the indictment or information and it does not seem reasonable to the untechnical mind that a conviction obtained by overwhelming and unimpeached testimony should be set aside because of the failure to cross a t or dot an i in the preliminary accusation.

Of course if a contract which is good enough to insure the contractor's profit is not good enough to support a criminal prosecution against the contractor, who is proved guilty of attempted bribery and convicted by a jury, there may be some doubt in the minds of the technically unlearned concerning the force of unquestioned fact; but we shall continue to hope that when the prosecuting officers and trial judges have satisfied the technical conscience to the best of their ability, it will still appear that guilt in fact is guilt in law.

Mr. Folk's optimism is cheering and encouraging. There may be a delay but, in his opinion, hoodlers have no reason to rejoice.

It would be foolish to reinstate the three midshipmen dismissed from the naval academy for hazing. It would be about the same as reinstating hazing.

## MAKE A GLAD CHRISTMAS.

The fund for the Post-Dispatch Christmas Festival has passed the thousand-dollar mark. But many times this amount will be needed, in order to make a glad Christmas day for the thousands of destitute men, women and children who will not be otherwise provided for.

For three years past, the well-to-do people of St. Louis have made it possible for the Post-Dispatch to provide a bountiful Christmas feast at the Coliseum, with an attractive entertainment and toys for the children, to more than 10,000 destitute persons, and to send baskets of Christmas food to all who could not be present because of physical infirmity.

If this is to be repeated, on the larger scale that has been planned to meet the greater need this year, the generous contributions of sympathizers with the good work must be forthcoming.

The time is short. The winter season is unusually severe, and the Christmas feast, with Santa Claus, will be correspondingly welcome. Even a trifling contribution will make the giver the host of some child, woman or man who might spend Christmas day hungry and cheerless. Make your own Christmas glad by indulging in this privilege of hospitality.

Rev. Dr. Edward Everett Hale has been made chaplain of the United States Senate. Now will it be good?

## VICARIOUS MR. LOEB.

Poor Mr. Loeb ought to get a bigger salary. Being vicarious is a heavy job.

When Mr. Roosevelt sent out a blunt and peremptory inquiry, "how many children have you?" to the army bachelors and childless wives of army officers, they recalled his letters and speeches on race suicide and took it as the beginning of a Malthusian investigation. This they thought an unwarranted invasion of personal liberty and were disposed to resent it as an impertinence.

But it was nothing of the sort. It was only Loeb's vicariousness. What the President wanted was a census of the children invited to a Christmas party, so that Mrs. Roosevelt might know how many pounds of candy to provide.

This was his kindly and wholly unmalicious object. But Loeb took his chief too literally. That is, he left tact out of the letters he wrote to the bachelors and childless wives.

So he must suffer the consequences. But it is only fair that if, to be vicarious is part of his work, he ought to have it reckoned in his salary.

There are refrigerator cars for summer, but there seems to be a lack of warmth in the provision cars of winter, causing heavy losses through freezing. We must have heat as well as cold if we are to succeed in transportation.

## WOMAN'S INDIVIDUALITY.

Women do not yet feel themselves strong enough to meet the world on their own merits.

It is easy to understand why Mrs. James L. Blair wished to resign the presidency of the board of lady managers. Change of circumstances must be reckoned with. But Mrs. Blair's practical efficiency is not in the least impaired by the change in circumstances, brought about through no fault of hers. She was marked in the beginning as a woman especially qualified for the duties and honors of the presidency and she is no less well qualified today. But convention honors circumstance and the woman acquiesces.

The world cannot afford the loss of personal worth. Usefulness is not necessarily affected by the possession of money or the lack of it. Still less should it be made the object of an unearned penalty. A woman's worth is her own to give to the world which needs it. For convention to deem otherwise is to injure not only the woman but the society in which she moves. Something good it wasted, and waste is the enemy of all.

A woman craves individuality because it is

Whether or not this individuality should be merged with her husband's in the unity of marriage may be a debatable question:

"He is the half of a blessed man  
Left to be finished by such as she,  
And she, a fair divided excellence  
Whose fullness of perfection lies in him."  
However that may be, certain it is, that when this blessed unity is shattered through no fault of the wife, her individuality should not suffer. She should stand for what she is and receive what is due for her own social worth.

It is said that the South has realized \$1,000,000 more this year than last on her cotton. Southern people will have enough to bring them to the greatest Exposition and see all the sights.

## THE POST-DISPATCH AND THE WEST.

In the host of congratulations and compliments which come to the Post-Dispatch from all quarters, it is gratifying to note a recognition of the fact, on the part of readers of the Post-Dispatch, that the twenty-fifth anniversary edition achieved not only a triumph for the Post-Dispatch, but is an evidence of the tremendous progress of St. Louis and the Central West in the past 25 years, and of the fact that this achievement of the Post-Dispatch is representative of the intelligence, growth and enterprise of the West.

From the standpoint of the newspaper manager who knows what the anniversary edition really represents in the way of labor, thought, art and mechanical equipment, the achievement could not be better summed up than in the graceful and generous tribute of Mr. John Schroers, manager of the German-American Press Association, who says:

"Yesterday's anniversary edition of the Post-Dispatch depicts the acme of perfection in every feature of that journalistic masterpiece, representing the highest standard of literary value, business attainments and newspaper technique."

Charles A. Bookwalter, ex-mayor of Indianapolis, says: "As an educational factor there is not a book in the Indianapolis Public Library that can compare with the twenty-fifth anniversary edition of the Post-Dispatch. The edition is almost a complete storehouse of knowledge in itself and is certainly a marvel of modern newspaper energy."

Gov. Bailey of Kansas says: "I never before saw so much reading and advertising in one newspaper. The man who reads Sunday's Post-Dispatch will surely know what the Louisiana Purchase Exposition is about."

Judge James A. Howe of the Polk County, Iowa, District Court says: "The remarkable progress which the central western states have made in the past quarter century has never been better shown than by the Post-Dispatch's anniversary number."

From the same state comes the testimony of Johnson Brigham, state librarian, who says: "The Post-Dispatch has but inspired us to accomplish more in the next quarter century."

Hon. John L. Webster, a lawyer of national fame and the candidate for vice-president on the Nebraska Republican ticket for next year, says: "The anniversary edition of the Post-Dispatch is a splendid representation of what the West now is. When compared with the initial number of that paper that quarter of a century of time is put before us in striking contrast. We have now reached the age of maturity."

L. C. Burns, president of the National Bank of St. Joseph, Mo., says: "It is a great newspaper, a power for good not only in St. Louis, but in the entire West."

John E. Utt, secretary of the Omaha Commercial Club and Board of Trade, says: "St. Louis is the leading city of the transmississippi country; the Post-Dispatch's anniversary number shows that paper to be the leading journal of the entire country."

F. M. McDavid, state senator and Democratic leader, says: "The Post-Dispatch is now, and has always been, aggressive and progressive, independent in its course, condemning severely those things to which it was opposed and commending with equal vigor the principles and things which it favored. That its course has met with the approval of the public is shown not only by the testimonials referred to above, but finds more convincing evidence in the widespread popularity and wonderful patronage which the paper is enjoying at this time among the people residing in the territory in which the paper circulates."

It is going to be difficult to prevent the honest old state of Missouri from getting as bad a reputation as Pennsylvania has acquired.

There is much talk about the scarcity of \$10,000 bills, but there is a large number of people who find that it is the \$10 bill that is scarce.

Why should not Root be chairman in place of Hanna? Has not Root always rooted for Roosevelt?

The sinuous windings of the law are the hope of all crooks.

## POST-DISPATCH SNAP-SHOTS.

The air is full of booze;

The air is full of boodle;

Blind justice takes a snooze;

Alas for Yankee Doodle!

There is a continuous fire of anecdotes of Uncle Joe Can non.

It has been a good month for building Alps for the World's Fair.

When the Colombians hear Gen. J. Franklin Bell tolling they will do well to accept the warning.

The thief who has been robbing the Salvation Army contribution boxes in Alton is doubtless too proud to be a briber or a hoodler.

The immense New York mastodon that lived 20,000 years before Adam would have taken up a good deal of Noah's space had it lived to see the flood.

In keeping his stove going, punching all his transfers and collecting the packing-house fares, the car-conductor has a winter stunt that may make a skeleton of him before the flowers bloom again.

What a racket there is over the reported marriage of King Humbert's widow, aged 62, to a man of 30. Yet it is a common thing for men of 70 or more to marry women all the way from 16 to 40. All womanhood should rise at such injustice.

In 1855 a new fire engine for St. Louis was drawn across the ice of the Mississippi by men with ropes, and the gamblers went out and raised tents in the middle of the river, doing a rushing business. The ice, old citizens say, was every day "black with people."

## The Butler Decision

From the Pittsburgh Dispatch.

Observe the grounds on which the millionaire corruptionist is to escape punishment. There is no contradiction on the decision that the attempt was made to bribe a public officer to influence his action. But the court finds—after the event—that Butler tried to bribe a public officer. He offered a member of the board of health \$2500 to vote for a garbage contract, and the court now holds that the contract belonged to the board of public improvements. On the surface this seems to give Butler the benefit of being so devoid of mental qualities that he did not know whom to bribe. But that is not really the case. The real meaning of the decision is that if a man bribes officials to do something which is for the understanding and practice at the time is within their duties, and a court can subsequently find that the duty belonged to some one else, the act is not bribery.

To this another gem of judicial logic is added. The ordinance which required this particular contract was not a good till Sept. 1, 1901, while the attempt to bribe was made on Sept. 18, and was not made for that reason. In other words, if the corruptionist knows that a measure will be passed or approved and has the official action under that measure all brought up before approval he is justified by the law and can walk forth from the trial fully vindicated.

It will not need many such decisions to elevate bribery from the grade of a baneful misdemeanor to the plane of a legitimate business.

JUST A MINUTE  
WITH THE  
POST-DISPATCH  
POET & PHILOSOPHER

## THE WEATHER MAN.

Mr. Bowie, Mr. Bowie,  
You are certainly the man  
To make weather for St. Louis  
On the scientific plan.  
When you tell us it will sprinkle  
Or that hail or sleet will tinkle  
On the frosty window pane,  
We heed every sentence of it,  
For we're anxious folks in you.  
For you are a bully prophet,  
Mr. Bowie-cole-cole-cole-co!

We have followed each prediction  
With a keen and caustic eye,  
And the net per cent of fiction  
In your work—in some so high—  
Is, we notice, small, extremely,  
And it gratifies us thus

To record in manner seemly  
All that you have done for us.  
You compel our admiration,  
You have equals none or few,  
We assert, with much elation,  
Mr. Bowie-cole-cole-cole-co!

You have never kept us guessing  
Whether it would rain or snow,  
But, a subtle art possessing,  
You have always seemed to know  
What to tell us of the weather,  
Whether for the month or day;  
You have done so wisely together  
In a most surprising way,  
And we doff our hats to you,  
For you are a way-up prophet,  
Mr. Bowie-cole-cole-cole-co!

## Patti vs. Nordica.

A great battle of press agents is now raging in the columns of the daily papers throughout the country.

Everything is a "battle" these days, and from a contest between two Newport dames for social supremacy to a scrap for a \$5 purse between two unheard-of featherweights.

It is hip and tuck between the press agents of Mrs. Patti and Mrs. Nordica—both of whom are sailing under aliases, one of them being Mrs. Cederstrom, and the other Mrs. Doeme, born Norton—it is nip and tuck, I say, between the seemingly representatives of these two great prima donnas to see which can get the greater number of pictures into the newspapers.

At the present time Mrs. Cederstrom's agent is several lengths ahead, and up to date has secured 287 two-column productions of the now-familiar picture of Mrs. Cederstrom at home, standing in the doorway of a summer house, each arm resting on the lattice-work, looking like a girl of twenty, while at her feet sits young Mr. Cederstrom—baron they call him in Wales—with a cap on and his legs crossed.

But hard on the heels of this agent is pressing Mrs. Doeme's representative, who has secured the publication of 204 of the photographs representing Mrs. Doeme (standing) in a way of no mean proportions) standing by the side of the husband she is now suing for divorce, who looks like a giant in comparison with the other. But, though behind in the matter of pictures, Mrs. Doeme's representative is "making good" by having two contradictory reports of her intentions printed daily, so as to keep up the agitation and interest.

Publicity comes and the ladies know it. Go it, Mrs. Cederstrom! Go it, Mrs. Doeme! Little Boy Red.

(The following is a correct imitation of "Little Boy Red," a great political war hawk—Gowdus Cook, in the Century Magazine for December, which, we trust, will go far toward giving those readers not familiar with current literature an idea of the Homeric qualities of the poetry now being published by some of our post-dishonest periodicals.)

Little Boy blue, come call your pal!  
Oh, my! Oh, me!  
Down at the corner, at Henry's Place,  
He's mopping up booze at a fearful pace.  
Oh, my! Oh, me!  
Oh, gee!

Now, wouldn't such conduct make you raw?  
Oh, my! Oh, me!  
Why won't he stay home, like a decent man,  
If he needs must get sizzly, and rush the can?  
Oh, my! Oh, me!  
Oh, gee!

Something Doing in the Country.

Southern Garden Prairie Cor. in Fairfield (Ill.) Sun.

James Fisher has had a telephone installed in his home. He calls it all the time now without his hand coming up to his mouth.

Henry Meyers is a pleasant caller at Mason Burges's on Sunday evenings. The attraction is Miss Roida.

Joe Barton says his girl is the only one.

Many a man in St. Louis is compelled to be a smoke inspector and does not even get laundry money out of the job.

"Made in Germany" not infrequently means "Made in Louisville, Ky."

Senator Hanna is not numbered with the Modern Wood-men.

Loosen up! Remember, it comes but once a year.

## MISSOURI ODD FACTS.

A St. Louis brewing company, not being able to get enough people in a block in Albany to sign its petition for a saloon license, has bought the whole block.

The Macon Anti-Rust Club debated the question, "Resolved, That Brutus was justified in stabbing Caesar." Mrs. Williams and Barrow maintained the affirmative and Mrs. Matthews and Holtselaw the negative. At the end of the discussion it was decided by the club, by the overwhelming vote of 11 to 5, that Brutus oughtn't to have done it.

Peoria City is probably the only town in the state that has two names. It was originally called after Col. Peires, the president of the Frisco Railway. In later years the inhabitants forgot, apparently, how Col. Peires spelled his name and fell to calling their postoffice Peoria City. Now the town is known on the state maps as "Railroad Station, Peira City, Peiroctio, Peira City."

## POST-DISPATCH FASHIONS



## EVENING GOWNS FROM PARIS

The first gown is a princess gown of white crepe de chine, fitted in at the waist with shirring, which forms the waist and hip yoke. The skirt is made with three flounces, embroidered all over with openwork English embroidery, headed by wreaths of pink mousseline de soie roses, united by pink ribbons, which also form the knot. The low neck is bordered with a plaited fringe, the low neck is finished with a drapery and cocoon, and a similar drapery trims the bodice in bolero fashion under the berth. Full puffs form the short sleeves.

## FOR THE YOUNG FOLKS.

## THE FOOLISH ROOSTER.

A common barnyard rooster once considered by the rest a dunce—Because he'd only strut and crow And never laid an egg, you know; He got a notion in his head To follow where the peacocks spread His gaudy tail of wondrous hue For little folks to stop and view.

Well, Mister Rooster, who was gay, And quite a beau as well, would stay Until the peacock dropped a plume—"That's mine!" said rooster, "sure as doom!"

He gathered quite a bunch, and then He started out to court a hen. A stout sagacious hen who knew A rooster from a peacock, too.

"Your tail is fine, but seems to me Your head don't balance it, you see. If you would only sing I might Sit on the perch with you tonight." Then Mister Rooster sung—you know A rooster's song can beat a crow.

"No, thanks," said Biddy, "move along, You're still a rooster without song. You'll find, here is a borrowed plume—" "Not mine,"—Horace Seymour Keller.

## THE SILK HAT AS A SYMBOL.

President John H. Finley, of the College of the City of New York, writes interestingly, in the Christmas issue of Harper's Weekly, about the amusing conflict which has gone on in Cuba between the old, aristocratic traditions inherited from Spain, and the newly adopted principles of democracy. One significant incident which is recalled by Dr. Finley is particularly diverting. He had gone to the cathedral at Havana to be present at a special service, and was watching the procession of acolytes, priests, and bishops as it left the altar. In the rear walked the archbishop, in purple vestments, conversing with the president, clad in the plain garments of America's official habit. "But it was the leader of the procession," writes Dr. Finley, "whose office attracted my attention. A tall, pale-faced young priest was bearing solemnly and with important air, a great silver salver, and on it—not some ven-

erated ecclesiastical symbol, not the golden emblem of kingly majesty and prerogative, not even the broad eagle of the papacy, but the plain, unadorned, somewhat ruffled, tail, black silk hat of the President of the republic. Democracy must have its crown, and the church had found it in the conventional, servicable, everyday covering of a citizen."

## VEGETABLE PORCUPINE.

The best-hated cactus in America is the cholla, says Country Life in America. The Mexicans say that if you get near a cholla joint it will jump at you. Certainly if you touch one it will stick, and when you try to free yourself it will pierce your other hand as well. Each pendant joint seems to reach out for the passerby, and the ground beneath the broad cholla trees is strewn with fallen fragments, many of which take root and grow.

After one has felt the sharp spines through heavy boots and seen their needle points, it is a source of continual wonder to see the wild cattle of Arizona, quietly browsing on chollas. The phrase, "cactus-fed," as applied to Arizona, is not a figure of speech. During the years of drought thousands of cattle carry themselves over until the next grass by eating chollas. With their leathery tongues and lips they strip the spiny joints from the trunk and leave the wide-spreading cactus a bare and woody skeleton. It is only the range cattle, whose mouths have been hardened on the thorny mesquite and ironwood browse, who will undertake to eat cactus, and cattlemen, therefore, often burn the thorny brush which has and naps in order to tempt their more fastidious animals to eat.

## EXCESSIVE INTEREST.

Unmindful of our own affairs, Our neighbors' make us curious. The interest we take in theirs Is really quite unusual. —Philadelphia Ledger.

## LOSING HER GRIP.

Blanche: Her former football training didn't prove of any use to her. May: How's that? Blanche: Why, she let a millionaire slip through her fingers.

LETTERS  
FROM THE PEOPLE

## A Question for Lovers

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:  
The other day a few of my girl friends and myself had quite a discussion as to whether or not it is advisable for a young lady, after her sweetheart told her that he loved her, then he in return asked her if she loved him, for her to tell him that she did. Some said they believed it was right for her to do so, and others did not approve of it at all, as I thought the best way to settle the dispute would be to ask some of your kind readers to give us their opinion on the subject.

For my part, I do not think it advisable at all, even though she does love him. The best way is to keep him guessing for I think after a man knows a girl loves him he will, at times, tell her something that will cause her to feel jealous and thereby make her doubt his sincerity, and from all probabilities would not do so if he did not know that she loved him. So I say, "keep him guessing." BLUE EYES, St. Louis.

## Sale for Woman's Work.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:  
Will some kind reader tell me of a way in which I can earn my living at home? Am a stranger in the city. I have a sewing machine, can sew nicely, crochet, cut, and do tapestry painting, but it seems I can't get a start. I am willing to do work of any kind. If some kind lady would give me some advice, and let me out so much, as I have two little children depending on me for support. St. Louis.

MRS. A. W. Exchange, 610 North Grand Ave.

Through the exchange women who work at home, can find a sale for such articles as fancy work, painted plaques and other things that a woman can make. We believe they have a salesroom for this purpose.—Ed. Letters from the People.

## Are Problem

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:  
John's fifth birthday, Feb. 9, 1904, makes him 24 years of age, hence John was born Feb. 23, 1880. MISS WILSIE CAWTHON, St. Louis.

## Herbert Spencer on Woman

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:  
In your issue of today I noticed an article headed "Herbert Was All Right," in which the great philosopher, Herbert Spencer, is duly lauded as one of the deepest thinkers of the age. In one of his works I recall his saying the following: "There are still societies who believe that war is a natural condition; that slavery is right, and that women should forever remain in a state of tutelage." Yes, Mr. Editor, I agree with you, his philosophy is all right; but there are so few men like him, or understand him. LOUISE L. WERTH, St. Louis.

## Drinking Water for Poultry

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:  
I would like to ask through your valuable paper if some kind poultry dealer would let me know if it would be do to add some salt to the drinking water for my poultry? I think it would prevent the water from freezing so I would like the advice of some of your readers if they ever tried it or what would be good? St. Louis. A READER.

## More Remedies.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:  
I take the liberty of making the following suggestions:

For chilblains—About half inch in length of nitrate of silver in vial, half to one ounce rain water and with small brush or feather bathe the parts well by stove or radiator on going to bed. If convenient in the morning continue until relieved; say two to five days; (will turn the parts very dark but need not be exposed in company). The quantity of nitrate of silver used is indefinite, as also the quantity of water, but that is not material. I have usually used 10 cents worth, which is also indefinite.

For sore feet—Baths in warm water three or four times a week. (A little salt or salt peter in the water will be of assistance). Need not fear any bad results from an indefinite continuance of this once a week bath. A SYMPATHIZER, Alton, Ill.

## A Pickle Swain.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:  
I would like to have some person that had experience give me advice. I am a young company with a young man for quite a while. He was very good to me, and his actions showed he thought a great deal of me. I was very much interested in him. I don't know the cause. Now, will some kind person tell me what to do? Do you think it would be proper for me to ask him what is the cause? St. Louis. H. M. F.

## POST-DISPATCH ANSWERS

Legal questions not answered. Business addresses not given. No hints decided. Don't sign "a questioner" or "Constant Reader." One initial is enough. Address all letters, "Answers, Post-Dispatch, City."

COWARD—6,060,016,000.

G. Ask us township offices.

SUB—World's Fair, 1540 acres.

J. W.—See second rule under heading.

P. P.—No premium on 1899 half dollar.

READER—Post-Dispatch lake was filled.

GEO. M.—Castle Square has no St. Louis date.

O. E.—History of Armenia, Public Library.

C.—World's Fair information bureau, Laclede building.

X.—New Jersey Secretary of State, Geo. W. Van, Trenton.

F. T. S.—Harry Keller for this session is yet an uncertainty.

J.—Engagement ring should be sent immediately after the engagement.

MAY H.—Newspapers are not now allowed to publish any kind of lottery news.

W. H.—It is not yet certain that "County Chairman" will be here this season.

L. L.—If an island is small the fact is no evidence that the climate is unhealthy.

IDA—May 22, 1898, was Saturday, Aug. 29, 1892, was Friday, July 11, 1882, was Thursday.

A. Z.—Directory for 1888, Public Library. At the same place you might find the recipe you ask.

C. L.—"Floradora," Century, Jan. 10. Maude Adams will not be here before spring—date not fixed.

Out to Elm through the Southern Hotel.

CONSTANT READER—Read second and fourth rules under heading.

H. H. B.—The Chicago street car strike was settled by arbitration, more to the advantage of the company than to that of the stri







## WHITECAPPERS MUST PAY THEIR VICTIMS

Jury Gave Verdict for \$500 and Supreme Court Multiplied It by Ten

### SCORED PLACE TOLERATING IT

Declared It Was Reduced to Level of a Lawless and Ignorant Horde of Savages

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The Louisiana supreme court has given judgments, according to a dispatch received from New Orleans, in the sum of \$500 each to Peter Warner, Reuben Brown and Edward Warner, against 30 citizens of Dodson, Winn Parish, who whitecapped them in an effort to secure information as to the author of several incendiary fires recently.

The jury in the district court gave each of the victims \$500. This was increased by the supreme court, which declared that the action of the whitecappers, in refusing to await hearing in the fire cases by the grand jury, reduced the community of which they professed to be the representative to the level of a lawless and ignorant horde of savages.

It is believed the decision will break up whitecapping in Louisiana.

## RUSSIA HAS NOT DECIDED.

Whether She'll Keep Manchuria for Herself Alone Not Settled.

MOSCOW, Dec. 16.—A copy of the Daily Vostok, just received here, throws interesting light on the Russian attitude in Manchuria.

An imperial commission which is drawing up regulations for Admiral Alexieff's viceroyalty in rendering various decisions, says:

The custom-house question is not yet settled. It remains dependent upon whether Russia will retain Manchuria for herself alone."

### REACH LATITUDE 70.25 SOUTH.

#### The Scottish Antarctic Expedition Returns to Buenos Ayres.

BUENOS AYRES, Argentina, Dec. 16.—The auxiliary steam steamer Scotia, which left the Clyde Nov. 3, 1902, for the antarctic regions, with a number of members of the Scottish National Antarctic Association on board, has arrived here from the antarctic regions. The steamer was detained at Buenos Ayres a week, after which she will return to the Falkland Islands where 22 members of the expedition will remain in charge of the meteorological station. The expedition reached latitude 70.25 south.

### "YELLOWSTONE, KELLEY."

#### Famous Scout Lands at San Francisco From Manila.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 16.—Capt. Arthur Kelly, the famous Indian scout, who served under Gen. Miles in the campaign of 1876, 1877 and 1878 in Wyoming and Montana, when he was given the sobriquet of "Yellowstone" Kelly, on account of his familiarity with the territory bordering on the Yellowstone, returned from the Philippines on the transpacific steamer where Kelly is on his way home to New York.

### Noted Actor Deceased.

ALAMEDA, Cal., Dec. 15.—Suffering from rheumatism and practically destitute, Wm. Lansing, who was once a popular actor, playing in leading roles with Edwin Booth, has been moved to the county infirmary.



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HOGAN'S PRESCRIPTION CURES GONORRHEA.

## FAMOUS MEN OF MANY CITIES SEND COMPLIMENTS ON BRILLIANT NUMBER

Even John Alexander Dowie, Who Hates Newspapers, Has Some Kind Words for the Great Number of the Sunday Post-Dispatch.

### CHICAGO'S MAYOR TELEGRAPHS HIS HEARTY CONGRATULATIONS

Adeline Patti Says the Anniversary Edition Was the Greatest Newspaper She Ever Saw—Marshall Field Says It Assures Him of the World's Fair's Greatness.

### Chicago.

Mayor Carter Harrison: "America's crowning feat of journalism, the biggest thing attempted and accomplished since the printing press was invented, was the twenty-fifth anniversary number of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. It marks an epoch in newspaperdom and will doubtless go down in journalistic history as the standard, showing what this age or Americanism has accomplished."

JOSEPH LETTER: "St. Louis has led the world in journalistic achievement. A city that can accomplish so much can produce a World's Fair that will be worth touring the world to see."

JOHN ALEXANDER DOWIE: "I shall take a number of copies of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Post-Dispatch with me to Australia to show the people there what America can do. There is nothing else could exhibit that would give such an exalted idea of America's greatness. Generally speaking, I despise the American press, but this issue of the Post-Dispatch has nearly won me over. It is a great thing, and I like big things. It is clean, wholesome, interesting and worthy the emulation of every newspaper in America."

MARSHALL FIELD: "It is the most conclusive proof yet produced that the St. Louis World's Fair is going to be the greatest in history."

H. H. WINDSOR, editor of Popular Mechanics: "There is enough in the birthday number of the Post-Dispatch to furnish mechanical data for an issue of Popular Mechanics. It is the greatest newspaper ever published in the world."

JOHN B. BEACH, city clerk: "The best I ever saw. The Post-Dispatch has certainly shown the eastern newspaper publishers something when it comes to artistic, well-balanced efforts."

C. J. BORDEN, mayor: "Big and beautiful! I describe the Post-Dispatch of Sunday better than any other words in my vocabulary. I might add, of course, that it is instructive and entertaining, but it is hardly necessary, for the Post-Dispatch is always that."

DES MOINES, IO.

James A. Howe, judge of the Polk County District Court: "The remarkable progress which the central western states have made in the past quarter-century has never been better shown than by the Post-Dispatch's anniversary number. It is, to a considerable degree, a history of the Mississippi valley, of which St. Louis is the metropolis. That so splendid a paper, with such interesting articles and excellent art work, is possible is the best proof that no section of the country offers better facilities or has made more progress. The anniversary number is a valuable edition."

James B. Borden, mayor of Des Moines: "This is a great paper. The Sunday Post-Dispatch is the greatest newspaper I have ever seen. If I could run a newspaper like this I'd be willing to draw out of politics. This is saying quite a bit because I consider it a big honor to be mayor of Des Moines."

George Mattern, sheriff of Polk County: "The Post-Dispatch is one of the greatest newspapers in the world. Its anniversary number had so much good reading matter crowded into it I will be several days getting caught up with it."

Johnson Brigham, state librarian: "It was a splendid proof of the progress of this section of the United States. The states included in the Louisiana Purchase have made wonderful strides in 25 years. Iowa stands foremost in the list. We are proud of what we have achieved and hopeful of yet greater things in the future. The Post-Dispatch has but magnified us to accomplish more in the next quarter century."

Mose Jacobs, newswriter: "Sunday's Post-Dispatch was the finest looking paper I ever saw. The orders came in thick and fast Sunday. It was a dandy paper. I wish they'd have a 25th anniversary every month or so. I'd get rich in a short time."

### Joplin, Mo.

MELVILLE W. HUTCHISON, editor and proprietor of the Joplin Daily News-Herald: "Sunday's Post-Dispatch was a mammoth and handsome edition and reflects great credit upon the publishers."

HOWES NORRIS, former state senator of Massachusetts and Joplin mine operator: "The Post-Dispatch of Sunday was a marvel. The newer type of newspaper men exhibit marvelous genius, displaying such as great capacity as their illustrious predecessors. The newspaper today wags the world. A few great dailies all have shaped the destinies of mankind at the present day."

HUGH MINDOE, state senator: "Though entitled to congratulations for its superb anniversary number, more credit is due the Post-Dispatch for the reforms which it has so aggressively championed during its quarter of a century existence. I was particularly impressed with Melville E. Stone's article on Mr. Pulitzer. This portrayal of the difficulties overcome by the latter should be placed in the hands of every young man who is inclined to the belief that opportunities come and are not made."

ST. JOSEPH, MO.

L. C. Barnes, president of the National Bank of St. Joseph: "The Post-Dispatch always does things right. The anniversary edition issued last Sunday was its crowning effort. It is a great newspaper, a power for good not only in St. Louis, but in every section."

### OMAHA, NEB.

Hon. John L. Webster, a lawyer of the West: "I am for the candidate of the West for next year. 'Missouri' is a great state."

### A LIBRARY IN ITSELF

The following letter is from Tom Richardson, manager of the New Orleans Progressive Union, the largest commercial organization in the United States, which has nearly 200,000 active members, an association that is doing much to bring immigration to Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Texas, and is chairman of the executive committee of the Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress. He is a native of La Grange, Mo.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch: As a native of Missouri, I have watched the career of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch with a great deal of interest and am decidedly of the opinion that Mr. Joseph Pulitzer is the greatest newspaper genius known to the history of the United States.

The twenty-fifth anniversary edition of the Post-Dispatch, artistically and typographically, is a success. It is almost a library in itself and is well worth filing away for future reference, as it contains an amount of historical data which will be valuable as a reference for years to come.

Its tremendous advertising patronage shows that it is appreciated by the people of St. Louis as well as acute advertisers in every section of the country.

The general reading matter is sufficiently diversified to interest all classes of readers, while the history of the paper itself for the past 25 years is practically a history of the city of St. Louis.

The Post-Dispatch has an individuality among afternoon newspapers of the United States, and any other publication in the country, being one of not to exceed three afternoon papers in this country which is universally known throughout all portions of the United States.

Its business connection with the New York World has given it superior advantages in the gathering of both domestic and foreign news.

To sum it up in a few words, it is a remarkable publication and certainly comes up to the full measure as a great, modern, all-around Sunday newspaper. Yours truly,

TOM RICHARDSON

of education: "I spent several very pleasant hours Sunday perusing the anniversary edition of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. It was the most entertaining edition of any newspaper I ever saw and the foretaste it gave me of the great Louisiana Purchase Exposition was delightful and instructive."

Chris L. Rutt, editor of the News and Press: "It is a magnificent edition and should be read by every one on account of the comprehensive and instructive matter concerning the Exposition which it contained. The story of the growth and development of St. Louis' great afternoon newspaper will interest newspaper men in particular and the public in general. The color work was as pleasing as it was elaborate and the edition is a credit to the men who had charge of it."

W. W. Maxwell, commissioner of the Commercial Club: "It pleased me very much and I trust it will have the effect of arousing a greater interest in modern journalism. Such an array of colored pages was almost a revelation even to those of us who are accustomed to looking for big colored papers on Sunday morning."

Purd B. Wright, city librarian: "It was an edition worthy of preservation. The execution of the work of the many departments was the best that has come to my notice since the inception of colored sections for Sunday newspapers. And what is best of all, it is a story interesting and instructive."

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patch is a great newspaper. Its 25th anniversary covers a period of magnificent western history. To tell the cities of the west of the developments and improvements of that period would require a volume. The anniversary edition of the Post-Dispatch is a splendid representation of what the West now is. When compared with the initial number of the paper that quarter of a century of time is put before us in striking contrast. We have now reached the age of maturity; we have all become a reading people as well as a working and a thinking people; we are cultivating the arts and the beautiful. This number of the Post-Dispatch surpasses all that had been expected, and has gone beyond the layman's ideal of what a newspaper might become. It is typical of active and progressive western life and enterprise."

Frank E. Moore, now serving his third term as mayor of Omaha: "The equal of the birthday number of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch has never been seen in this country. It is a credit to the Louisiana Purchase states, all of which look to St. Louis as the leading city and to the Post-Dispatch as the leading paper of the Mississippi valley. This Christmas anniversary number, with its many bright pages; its 'Retrospect and Reality'; its 'Funny Side'; its 'Christmas Section'; its 'Sunday Magazine'; its 'World's Fair Section'; and its news pages is a credit to its city and state, its country and to its editor."

John E. Utt, secretary of the Omaha Commercial Club and Board of Trade: "The anniversary number of the Post-Dispatch is certainly a marvel in every way. It is something of a wonder in the newspaper field, but it is certainly a masterpiece. The illustrations are well conceived and finely executed. From the landing of Laclade to the present great city of St. Louis is a far cry; from the initial number of the Post-Dispatch to the anniversary number published last Sunday is an equally far cry. St. Louis is the leading city of the transmississippi country; the Post-Dispatch's anniversary number shows that paper to be the leading journal of the entire country."

SPRINGFIELD, MO.

M. T. Davis, vice-president of the National Exchange Bank and president of the Missouri Western Bank: "The twenty-fifth anniversary of the Post-Dispatch shows wonderful progress in the newspaper world. Its contents covers the entire field of literature and the current news of the day. Twenty-five years ago even Mr. Pulitzer himself did not dream of ever being able to place before the reading public a newspaper of the magnitude of this issue, covering as it does every phase of newspaperdom. The publishers certainly deserve great credit and the people of the Mississippi valley should congratulate themselves that they have the pleasure of reading the news of the world as is found in the Sunday Post-Dispatch."

F. M. McDevitt, state senator and a Democratic leader: "The anniversary edition of the Post-Dispatch was a splendid example of newspaper enterprise, and well worthy of the occasion which it was intended to celebrate."

"Rich in illustration and in information, it was from the first to the last page an instructive story of the growth and development of the city of St. Louis during the last quarter of a century. Surely the paper has reason to be gratified at the words of commendation and encouragement appearing in the columns of the issue from men prominent in political and business life."

"Wonderful as has been the growth and progress of St. Louis, the Post-Dispatch has kept pace with it in every respect, and in fact in many of the reforms inaugurated in that city for better conditions it has led the way."

"This is a newspaper reading era. The press is a powerful factor in molding public thought. The management therefore of a great newspaper is a sacred trust and a tremendous responsibility."

"The Post-Dispatch is now, and has always been, aggressive and progressive, independent in its course, condemning severely those things to which it was opposed and commending with equal vigor the principles and things which it favored. That its course has met with the approval of the public is shown not only by the testimonials referred to above, but finds more convincing evidence in the widespread popularity and widespread patronage which the paper is enjoying at this time among the people residing in the territory in which this paper circulates."

F. X. Heer, merchant: "The twenty-fifth anniversary number of the Post-Dispatch is certainly an achievement fitting the progressive spirit that has been evidenced throughout the paper's brilliant career and taken it from obscure ranks to a place foremost in American journalism."

"Looking through the columns of this anniversary number brings one to a revelation of the wonderful growth of St. Louis during the last quarter century and recalls the many achievements accomplished by the Post-Dispatch for the public good and fathers the wish that its march of progress and service to the public may be uninterrupted for twenty-five years to come."

## COMBINE UNMOVED BY CITY'S NEEDS

Hostile Attitude of House of Delegates Majority Toward Terminal Bill Is Shown

The Gassolo-McCarthy faction in the House of Delegates has thwarted legislation providing for the needed terminal improvements and it is believed at the City Hall that the Terminal bill is now practically dead.

The bill, which has passed the Council in an amended form and which is now in the hands of the railroad committee of the House, was not reported to that body at its session Tuesday evening.

Delegate Hughes' motion that the House should meet again Wednesday evening was lost decisively.

Mr. Hughes urged the importance of taking up the Terminal bill at once, and referred to the appeals made to the House by the commercial interests of the city in behalf of the bill.

He declared that postponement of action on this bill until after the holidays vacation, which ends Jan. 5, would mean its death. The majority at once moved.

Speaker Gassolo refused to recognize Delegate W. A. Block, who desired to add to Hughes' plea, and called for the vote. The majority gained two recruits, Chairman Videmer of the railroad committee and Ayes—W. Block, Stammers, Hughes, Luckland, Meahan, Moloney, O'Brien, O'Neill.

Noes—E. M. Block, Brennan, Conran, Griffin, McCarthy, Rott, Teichmayer, Weeks, Widmer, Withnott, Zimmerman, Gassolo—12.

Bill appropriating \$15,000 for the excess of the Blackstone sewer was introduced from the House of Public Improvement. The House passed 12 ayes and seven nays.

### DELEGATES MAKE MERRY OVER BLOCK'S DIAMOND

The most interesting thing, to the members in the House, of Delegates at Tuesday night's session, was Delegate Edward Block's magnificent diamond shirt stud. The Terminal Association bill was, theoretically, before the House; but it was not interesting to the majority of the members. There are 700,000 other people in St. Louis who were interested in the bill, but they did not know of Block's imposing find.

Speaker Gassolo was particularly interested in Block's plate glass show window. It tickled him immensely. Now and then, in the course of the few minutes that the House was in session, he humorously suggested to the sergeant-at-arms to "put Block's light out."

Occasionally some inappreciative member of the minority would suggest something about the bill, but it was even intimated that the Council had called a special meeting for Wednesday afternoon to act on the bill, on the supposition that the House would do something with it. But just then Block's light would attract the attention of some member of the majority, and immediately a great roar of laughter and banter would drown the arguments.

Delegate Hughes finally tried to persuade the House to hold a special meeting Wednesday night for the purpose of considering the terminal bill. But it was not to be. The House was adjourned without his big white light, and the suggestion was promptly voted down.

The net result was that the House adjourned to Friday night, at which time, according to indications now in hand, it will make merry at something else and adjourn again until after the holidays.

No torture compares to that of a rheumatic. Prescription No. 2851 by Elmer Amend quick relief of all.

### BOATRACE OWES \$100,000.

#### Footracer Confesses Judgment in Suits for Borrowed Money.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 16.—Robert Boatright, better known as "Buckfoot," the Webb City leader of the foot racers who operated so extensively in southwestern Missouri two years ago, has confessed judgment in the circuit court at Independence for \$100,000.

The judgment was rendered in favor of Frank Lindley of Danville, Ill., who is assigned for J. Lory, to the amount of \$80,000; for John Bacon to the amount of \$10,000, and for Richard Phipps to the amount of \$10,000.

The three men had loaned Boatright the money.

### OPERA GLASSES AND SPECTACLES

#### For Christmas Gifts.

Opera Glasses ..... \$5.00 to \$50.00  
Spectacles: Gold ..... \$5.00 to \$15.00  
Gold filled ..... \$3.00 to \$5.00  
Steel ..... \$1.00 to \$5.00  
Reading and Magnifying Glasses 75c to \$5.00  
Lorgnettes ..... \$5.00 to \$100.00  
MICROMOD & JACARD'S,  
Broadway and Locust.  
New catalogue, 5000 engravings; mailed free.

### ACCOUNTS SHORT \$17,000.

#### Explanation of the Suicide of New Haven Bank Cashier.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 16.—An additional shortage of \$3000, making the total thus far known \$17,000, has been discovered in the accounts of Asa C. Bushnell, the cashier of the Yale National Bank, who committed suicide yesterday. Gen. E. S. Greeley, president of the bank, said it would be impossible to tell definitely until tomorrow whether there is a still greater shortage. But he declared he felt confident that the full extent of defalcation has already been learned.

### RECESS OF CONGRESS.

#### Senate Agrees to Adjourn From Dec. 19 to Jan. 4.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—The Senate committee on appropriation agreed to report without amendment, the holiday journey resolution, providing for a recess from Dec. 19 to Jan. 4.

### Fight Extradition of Suspects.

Writs of habeas corpus for the release of John Mirani and Louis Spezia, who are held by the Detroit police on the charge of having been connected with the murder of Lawrence Fahle on King's highway, near the Missouri Pacific tracks, while deced, have been applied for.

The Detroit relatives and friends of the suspects declare that the soliciting efforts to bring them back to St. Louis. The hearing on the writs of habeas corpus will be had Thursday morning.

The two men were arrested at Windsor, Canada, Tuesday, and taken back to Detroit.

### University Debating Society.

The Washington University Debating Society will seek intercollegiate debates with William Jewell College and Nebraska State University during the present school term. The society was organized to fill the place of the University Literary Society that quit last year. The officers are: Mr. Patton, president; Alvin Goodrich, vice president; Al Wilson, secretary; Samuel Elliot, treasurer; George Chandler, sergeant-at-arm.

## SANTOS DUMONT IS COMING

Famous Navigator of the Air Will Start for St. Louis in a Fortnight.

PARIS, Dec. 16.—Santos-Dumont will start for St. Louis in a fortnight to arrange for the installation of his huge dirigible balloon, Santos-Dumont No. 7, and the hydrogen generators, and to learn the quality of the gas, preliminary to taking part in the dirigible balloon competition.

### TRAINS COLLIDE ON A BRIDGE.

#### Two Men Killed and Others Hurt in Kansas.

FORT SCOTT, Kan., Dec. 14.—Two men lost their lives, one was fatally injured and several others were severely injured in a collision of two sections of a freight train on a long bridge on the Frisco system south of Pawnee, Kan., 15 miles from Fort Scott, early today. The rear section ran into the forward section. P. M. Herzhag of Monet, Mo., a brakeman who was riding on the engine of the rear train, was pinned between the cab and tender, and hurled to death.

Other members of the crew found themselves in precarious positions and were forced to jump from the high trestle or be burned to death in the wreckage.

## KRATZ RESISTS TO LAW'S LIMIT

Decision to Appeal to Supreme Court Will Prolong Extradition Process

Special to the Post-Dispatch. GUADALAJARA, MEX., Dec. 15.—John Kratz, brother of Charles Kratz, said today that the fight to prevent the latter's extradition would be carried on appeal to the Supreme Court of Mexico. A writ of amparo will be asked if President Diaz declines against the prisoner.

Manuel P. Chavez, attorney for the St. Louis officers, says this means that it will be three or four months before the officers can secure possession of their man.

Sheriff Dickmann, who has been undecided whether to remain here so long, today said he probably would stay to the end.

He considers this necessary, he says, since Chief of Detectives Desmond will return to St. Louis, where his presence is urgently needed. He left yesterday morning for the City of Mexico, where he will confer with federal officials and United States Ambassador Clayton. If he finds that the final decision will not be rendered for several months he will start at once for St. Louis, with the intention of returning here later.

## Cancerous Ulcers

### ROOTED IN THE BLOOD.

After the age of 45 or 50 when the vital powers are naturally weaker it is noticed that a hurt of any kind heals slowly and often a very insignificant scratch or bruise becomes a bad ulcer or sore. At this time of life warty growths, moles and pimples that have been on the body almost from birth begin to inflame and fester, and before very long are large, eating, sloughing ulcers.

When a sore or ulcer is slow in healing then you may be sure something is radically wrong with your blood. So old taint or poison that has been slumbering there for years, is beginning to assert itself, and breaks out and becomes a bad ulcer and perhaps the beginning of Cancer. These old sores are rooted in the blood, and while washes, soaps, salves, etc., keep the surface clean they are not healing. A blood medicine to purify and strengthen the polluted blood and a tonic to build up the general system is what is needed, and S. S. S. is just such a remedy. No poison is so powerful and no germ so deadly that this great vegetable blood remedy cannot reach it, and ulcers of every kind quickly yield to its wonderful curative properties. If you have an old sore or ulcer, write us all about it and medical advice or any information you may desire will be given by our physicians without charge.

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## TO YOU MEN WHO ARE WEAK!



This is a message to men. It is to men who want to feel like men, to look like men, and act like men. This is to men who lack courage, whose nerves are shaken, whose brains are muddled, ideas confused, sleep restless, confidence gone, spirits low and easily depressed; who are backward, hesitating, unable to venture because they are afraid of failure, who want somebody to decide for them, who are weak, puny, restless. It is to men who have part or all of these symptoms and want new life, new force, new vigor. I offer it to you in my wonderful

## DR. McLAUGHLIN'S ELECTRIC BELT.

It builds up broken down men, restores youth and vigor, and makes men look and feel strong. It will cure every case of Rheumatism, Nervous Debility, Weak Stomach, Kidney and Liver Troubles, Lame Back, Sciatica, Varicose Veins, and all the weaknesses of men and women. It will not fail. As it infuses in the weakened parts the force of life and strength. Put it on when you retire; you get up in the morning refreshed and vigorous, with a new heart and a clear head, full of ambition for your daily work.

Have sold electric belts for twenty years and have kept pace with the times in making improvements. The Belt I offer you today is recently patented and is a grand one. No burning, no blistering current, a fine regulator and cushion electrodes, a current that feels like glowing warmth all over your body. It is as safe as fire, and it is as quick to wear and quick to cure. If you are wearing a belt that does not satisfy you I will take it in trade.

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Special Officers Hare and Connell made the raid, after they had watched the game through a transom for several minutes. The two officers suspected that the game was in progress and made their way to the back door of the saloon. Then they rolled a barrel close to the door, and standing on the barrel looked through the transom.

They saw 12 men grouped around a pool table "shooting" as though for heavy stakes. After the "shooting" had been around the table two or three times, the officers quietly descended from their barrel perch, broke in the door and swooped upon the players. Six of them got away. Those who were arrested and locked up in the police station gave their names as Peter Baird, Charles Malone, Albert Sanborn, William Gray, Dorsey Gray and John H. Scott. Gray was released on bail after being in prison an hour.

## Consumption as Discussed by the Medical Profession.

When Prof. Hoff's now famous prescription for consumption was first brought to the notice of the medical fraternity in this country, after Prof. Hoff had achieved fame in Europe because of his discovery, few of the American physicians received it with much enthusiasm.

They imagined it might be an emulsion of cod-liver oil, or a creosote preparation, or a gold cure, or one of the several other advertised "cures" whose claims have melted before every true test.

Since they have learned its true value and that it is not a patent medicine, but a scientific preparation made from a formula given by Prof. Hoff for the benefit of sufferers, doctors, hospitals, sanitariums and medical journals are advocating its adoption in all cases of consumption.

There is an intimate association between TWO FACTS in connection with statistics on consumption.

One fact is that the report shows the percentage of deaths from consumption is decreasing. The mortality rate fell from 245 for every 10,000 persons to 190 for every 10,000 persons.

The other fact is that this decrease all occurred since the American Bureau of the Hoff Cure began sending out its medicine.

The medicine is furnished to sufferers at a trifle over the cost of compounding it, without any fancy profit such as secret and patent medicines charge. This is due to the philanthropy of Prof. Hoff, who said his great discovery belonged to mankind and not to any one individual simply because he made the discovery.

That is practical socialism.

It was the American Bureau of the Prof. Hoff Cure which first mapped out the work of co-operation now being carried on broadcast and spreading from week to week all over the country.

Doctors, friends of the patients, druggists, relatives and kindly disposed people of all degrees are giving their help to make the work as general as possible, reaching every nook and cranny where consumption lurks.

There is an opportunity for everyone to co-operate in the grand movement of wiping consumption, with its attendant miseries, from the face of the continent. There is no coupon book required—no interchange of money—simply a beginning and a continuing of a charitable work which requires only an effort on the part of each individual.

Get the promise of every member of your family to look over his or her acquaintances and select some one who has consumption or who seems in immediate danger of it. The chances are very largely in favor of the latter class having the disease. Let each member of the family send the name of the person so selected to The American Bureau, at 10th street and Third avenue, New York, so that the literature with reference to the Hoff treatment may be forwarded gratis. The name of the person sending the name of the sufferer will not be divulged to the sufferer, for the American Bureau appreciates and respects the feeling of delicacy with which a consumptive regards his condition.

In many instances physicians have been converted by their patients who have taken Prof. Hoff's cure unknown to their medical advisers, and today thousands of the best American doctors regard Prof. Hoff's cure as an ethical preparation to be used in all cases of cough and especially where there is doubt of diagnosis.

These physicians speak for themselves and their words of commendation need no explanation.

American Bureau, Bendler & Schlegel, Third Avenue and 10th Street, N. Y.

Gentlemen—Enclosed find one dollar, for which send me one bottle of Professor Hoff's remedy. I have not yet asked anything of it that it did a thing for me. Respectfully yours, A. W. CUDDELL, M. D., 412 Centre St., South Easton, Pa.

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Gentlemen—I have had good success with your medicine. Yours truly, DR. O. L. HUDSON, Princeton, Ind.

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Gentlemen—Enclosed find one dollar for another bottle of Professor Hoff's Cure for Consumption. I find it just what you recommended it to be. Yours truly, DR. O. H. LEONHART, Lake Forest, Ill.

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Gentlemen—Enclosed you will please find \$1. for which kindly send me another bottle of Professor Hoff's Consumption Cure. I am suffering from it on a case in the last stage of the disease. Its results are marvelous. While I did not expect a cure, the effect of the remedy is very marked on the general condition of the patient. DAVID MCNEEL, M. D., Merrill, Wis.

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Sirs—I am in receipt of your last letter, and in answer to say that my patient has been entirely cured. The results are beyond all praise. I have taken on much flesh. I think the cure positive. I have another case on hand, though further advanced. I have great confidence in the Hoff prescription when it is carefully directed by a physician. Enclosed find \$1.00 money order for more of the remedy. Please send same immediately. Yours, February 4, 1902, G. A. LEWIS, M. D., 121 Trinity St., Westchester, Tex.

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Dear Sirs—Please find \$1 for bottle of Consumption Cure, which I thank you to send me. The bottle first tried has worked wonderful results. The patient was laid down in bed. She is now up and seems to be very much improved. With many thanks, I am, Yours truly, DR. JAS. D. DONNELLY, 14th and 1st Sts., N. W., Washington, D. C.

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Gentlemen—Enclosed please find one dollar for another bottle of Prof. Hoff's Cure for Consumption. An ulcer in a case of twenty years' standing, and the patient is steadily improving. Hoping to receive it soon, I am, Yours respectfully, DR. G. L. MOOREHEAD, 420 Rialto Bldg., Kansas City, Mo.

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Dear Sirs—I enclose two dollars for two bottles of Prof. Hoff's Cure for Consumption. My patient seems to be doing well, has gained nearly 15 pounds within the last three months. Yours truly, J. G. THOMAS, M. D., Lima, O.

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The Willie Mt. Tuberculosis Sanatorium, No. Conway, N. H., is the finest Tuberculosis Sanatorium of its kind in New England and uses and endorses Prof. Hoff's Cure for Consumption.

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Professor Hoff desires his cure to be in the hands of every sufferer. It is humanity's medicine. The prescription is compounded in accordance with Prof. Hoff's directions and sent out by the American Bureau at Third Avenue and 10th Street, New York, at \$1.00 per bottle. For greater convenience the remedy may be had at the same price from the well and favorably known firms mentioned below.

The triangular trade mark of the American Bureau of Professor Hoff's Cure must be on the label and this is the guarantee to the purchaser that it is the exact prescription used by Prof. Hoff at Vienna.

A 64-page book, containing complete descriptive treatise on the Professor Hoff Cure and accurate reports of several hundred cases, is mailed free on application or may be obtained by calling at these well-known druggists.

IMPORTANT—Other Hoff Cures not bearing this triangular trade mark are not the authentic preparation authorized by the American Bureau. You can obtain the genuine Hoff Cure at most drug stores. The great body of honorable druggists do not stoop to substitution by selling something "just as good" but insist upon sending you the genuine Hoff Cure, and always be protected of the well-known druggists:

RABOTEAU & CO., 700 North Broadway,  
JOHNSON BROS., Broadway and Frank  
LINDELL DRUG CO.,

## CRONIN'S RELATIVE VICTIM OF ATTACK

Edward J. Curran in Critical Condition as Result of Mysterious Wound.

Edward J. Curran, an inspector in the street department and a brother-in-law of Justice of the Peace James H. Cronin, is at the Physicians and Surgeons' Hospital, unconscious from a wound in the head that was mysteriously received. Curran left home at 5 o'clock last Friday evening. His mother found him in the hallway of their home at 1229 O'Fallon street this morning.

Mrs. Curran thinks he was the victim of robbers. There are two wounds in the forehead, and for a time Mrs. Curran did not deem them serious.

When her son continued unconscious, however, she called a physician, who discovered that he was suffering from concussion of the brain.

The police are investigating the mother's theory of assault by highwaymen, although they have no tangible clue to go on. They say they have not yet been able to find anyone who saw Curran during the time that he was missing from home.

The length of time that elapsed after the infliction of the wounds and before a physician was called makes Curran's condition more serious.

## NO KNEE PARADE FOR GEORGE ADE

He Turned Down Cold His Only Chance to Wear Abbreviated Pants.

HE HID OUT FROM THE BALL

His Nerve Was So Unstable, and Wouldn't Don the Things at All, and That's No Slangy Fable.

December 13, nineteen-three, Chicago, Illinois. (Don't sound the "e"—it is not right! If you would give us joy.) Society is all agog. ("Agog" is good) today. Over last night's magnificent Success, the ball pouter. (Don't call it "pouter." The right way is a cross "twit" "pouter" and "pouter.")

Society was there in force. With powdered wigs and hair. And many swell Chicago dames. Loomed up surpassing fair. 'Twas all for charity, you know. And that was very fine. But incidentally it gave. Them all a chance to shine; And even men showed certain graces. Bedecked in satin, gold and laces.

But "to our tale," as Byron said. When he had long depressed. One well-known face, we give to say. Was missing from the rest. One visage nowhere could be seen; One form nowhere deserted; It was a visage pale and lean. Yet calm and smiling. A cry went up from all around: "Where is George Ade? He can't be found!"

Now, George had been invited to Attend this ball pouter. And wear knee breeches, as they did In Louis XV's day; But ah, when George recalled to mind Those Indiana folks. His friends and kindred—they who had Made possible his jokes. His courage failed him, and he cried: O, no, it cannot be! No hooster shall disgrace his state! No bal poudre for me! I'll shun temptation while I'm able. To yield were folly. That's no fable!

And so George Ade refused last night For charity to dance. Preferring curtailed pleasure to Abbreviated pants. The joke on George was rather rough. (I bet he'll syndicate the stuff!) W. L. C.

Ladies, try an oyster lunch while shopping. Milford's, 37 and 39 North Sixth St.

PRIVATE BUSINESS ON "SIDE?"

Council Will Investigate Charges That Officials Do Not Devote Entire Time to City

The Council committee on municipal affairs has been directed by the Council to investigate reports that certain city officers are not devoting all their time to their official duties, as required by the charter. The charges are found to be true, the committee is ordered to proceed toward the suspension and removal of such officers.

The resolution providing for the inquiry was introduced by Councilman Newell. An appropriation of \$2,500 was made for fire men at the apparatus house in the southeast corner of the World's Fair grounds. The building will be removed by the Exposition company when the Fair is over.

The Council voted to convene Wednesday night to take action on the Terminal bill should it pass the House of Delegates. The House's later action made this precaution futile.

ALLEY ROBBERS SCARE CROWD

Many See Man's Watch and Money Taken, but None Venture to Interfere

Almost as spectacular as a stage robbery was that of Leslie Long, who was robbed that three masked men at the corner of alley on Fifteenth street between Lucas avenue and Morgan street.

Long was on his way home shortly after 5 o'clock. The sidewalk was crowded when the men rushed out of the alley, presented their revolvers, took Long's watch and \$1, and disappeared again in a twinkling. Many persons witnessed the robbery, but none interfered. Long lives at 1511 Washington avenue.

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Vases ..... \$2.00 to \$20.00  
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New catalogue, 5000 illustrations—Free.

TO JOIN CHURCH AND STATE.

Committee Will Work for Formation of Actors' Alliance

The organization of a St. Louis chapter of the Actors' Church Alliance has begun by the naming of a committee of seven to direct the movement. The objects are to bring about a closer relationship between the church and players, to secure Sunday as a day of absolute rest for actors and ultimately to establish a stage censorship or court of appeals.

Among those who have become members are Rev. Carroll M. Davis, Rev. Father J. P. Coffey, Rev. C. F. Blaisdell, Rev. A. K. Smith, Rev. Dr. William Hart, Rev. A. T. Chittenden, S. M. Phelan, Rev. E. E. Renwick, Rev. H. W. Miltner, Rev. Dr. John W. Day, Rabbi Leon Harrison and L. G. Johnston.

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Dinner Sets ..... from \$14 to \$50.00  
Course Sets ..... \$25 to \$100.00  
Turkey Sets ..... \$25 to \$200.00  
Sugars and Creams ..... \$1.75 to \$25.00 a pair  
Fine Old Vienna Plates \$10.00 to \$45.00 each  
Russian China Plates \$2.50 to 4.00 each  
Fine English Plates \$20.00 to \$25.00 dozen  
Steins ..... \$1.00 to \$20.00 each  
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Write for holiday catalogue, mailed free.

Rock Island's Cut-Out

Surveying parties are now working on a new route for the Rock Island railroad through St. Louis County. The object being to run freight trains from Elmwood Park to Baden without bringing them through St. Louis.

THE FAMOUS A. B. C. BOHEMIAN AND "WOMEN'S" DRINKS ON "T" at the

## WHAT A CHANCE!

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We have acquired the lease on the storeroom next door north and get possession some time in January.

By the time this issue goes to press, the stock in our Sixth street store and the stock of the Majesty Shoe Co. will have been moved to our big store, at

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